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GENERAL STUDIES

PAPER–II

Full Marks – 150

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Instruction :

Two separate answer scripts will be given, one for PART-I and another for PART-II. Answers must be written either in English or in Bengali. It must not be answered partly in English and partly in Bengali. This instruction should be followed scrupulously.

PART – I

Marks –100

SECTION – A

1. Four options are given against each of the following questions (Q. Nos. 1-20). Select the best/ correct option from among the four options and write it in the answer script. 1×20=20

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One example is given below :

Example : The capital of India is

(a) Delhi (b) New Delhi

(c) Indraprastha (d) None of these

Answer : (b) New Delhi.

1. (i) The main Indian rebel leader during the revolt of 1857 in Bihar was

(a) Laxmi Bai

(b) Begum Hazrat Mahal

(c) Bakht Khan

(d) Kunwar Singh

(ii) *Jibaner Smriti dvipe* is the autobiography of which historian ?

(a) Sir Jadunath Sarkar

(b) R. C. Dutt

(c) R. P. Dutt

(d) Ramesh Chandra Majumdar

(iii) Which of the following social and political leaders opposes the Age of Consent Bill ?

(a) W. C. Banerjee (b) G. K. Gokhale

(c) M. G. Ranade (d) B. G. Tilak

(iv) Ulgulan was started by

(a) Damodar Chapekar

(b) Birsa Munda

(c) B. M. Malabari

(d) Sri Ram Bajpai

(v) With reference to the Indian freedom struggle arrange the following events in correct sequence

(A) Passing of the Indian Press Act.

(B) Surat Split of the Indian National Congress.

(C) Launching of Non-cooperation movement.

(D) Passing of the Revolt Act.

(a) B-A-C-D (b) B-A-D-C

(c) D-A-C-B (d) C-B-A-D

(vi) The Poona Pact (1932) was an agreement between

(a) M. K. Gandhi and Subhas chandra Bose

(b) M. K. Gandhi and M.A. Jinnah

(c) M. K. Gandhi and B. R. Ambedkar

(d) B. R. Ambedkar and B. G. Tilak

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(vii) Who among the following was the First Woman President of the Indian National Congress ?

(a) Vijai Laxmi Pandit

(b) Sarojini Naidu

(c) Sucheta Kripalani

(d) Annie Besant

(viii) Who presented the 'August Proposal' in 1940 ?

(a) Wavell (b) Willingdon

(c) Mountbatten (d) Linlithgow

(ix) Which one among the following was demanded by the All India Depressed Classes Leaders' Conference at Bombay in 1931 ?

(a) Universal adult suffrage

(b) Separate electorates for untouchables

(c) Reserved seats for the minorities

(d) An Unitary State in India

(x) Dr. B. R. Ambedkar published three periodicals for the safeguard of Dalit rights. Which of the following is not one of them ?

(a) Mook Nayak

(b) Wahiskrit Bharat

(c) Wahiskrit Samaj

(d) Janta

(xi) From 1901–1905 and from 1907–1908 Umakanta Das was the minister of

(a) Maharaja Radhakrishore Manikya

(b) Maharaja Birendra Kishore Manikya

(c) Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya

(d) None of them

(xii) During the Great Revolt of 1857, the King of Tripura was

(a) Maharaja Ishan Chandra Manikya

(b) Maharaja Bir Chandra Manikya

(c) Maharaja Birendra Kishore Manikya

(d) Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya

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(xiii) The Zamindari Right of Chakla Roshanabad was granted by the Nawab of Bengal to the ruler of Tripura during the reign of

(a) Maharaja Dharma Manikya-II

(b) Maharaja Ratna Manikya

(c) Maharaja Gobinda Manikya

(d) Maharaja Dhanya Manikya

(xiv) Which King of Tripura abolished 'Sati' System ?

(a) Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya

(b) Maharaja Birendra Kishore Manikya

(c) Maharaja Radha Kishore Manikya

(d) Maharaja Birchandra Manikya

(xv) Who was the first Political Agent of the British Government of India in Tripura ?

(a) Mr. Verelst

(b) E. F. Sandys

(c) General Jenkins

(d) A. W. B. Power

(xvi) Which ancient literary work in Sanskrit is believed to have been narrated by Dattatreya to Parashurama.

(a) Sundari Rahasya (b) Tripura Rahasya

(c) Manikya Rahasya (d) Haihayas Rahasya

(xvii) Who was the composer of Champak Vijaya ?

(a) Sheikh Mahaddin (b) Sheikh Asaduddin

(c) Sukreswar (d) Baneshwar

(xviii) 'Gazinama' is an important source for the reconstruction of Tripura history. Who is author of this work ?

(a) Nasir Muhammad

(b) Sheikh Manur Ali

(c) Pir Muhammad

(d) Shamsher Ghazi

(xix) Kok-borok was recognised by the Government of Tripura as one of the official languages of the State in the year

(a) 1949 (b) 1979

(c) 1989 (d) 1999

(xx) The famous painting by Maharaja Birendra Kishore Manikya of Tripura, named after a festival is titled

(a) Jhulon

(b) Dhol

(c) Deepawali

(d) Garia Puja

SECTION – B

2. Answer any *four* questions : 5×4=20

(i) What was the Permanent Settlement and what was its impact in British India ? 2+3=5

(ii) Write a short note on Rani Jhansi Regiment of Azad Hind Fauj. 5

(iii) Write a short note on the Home Rule Movement in India. 5

(iv) Discuss the factors leading to the rise of Mahatma Gandhi as a national leader in Colonial India. 5

(v) Write a short note on the various movements leading to the partition and independence of India between 1946 and 1947. 5

3. Answer any *one* question : 5×1=5

(i) Write a short note on the reforms carried out during the reign of King Birendra Kishore Manikya (1909–1923).

(ii) What were Tripura's contribution to the war efforts during the First (1914–1918) and the Second (1939–1945) World Wars ?

4. Answer any *three* questions : 5×3=15

(i) Write a short note on the importance of Asokan inscriptions in reconstructing early Indian history.

(ii) Would you categorise the Gupta Age as a "Golden period' in early Indian htstory ?

(iii) Which were the main Sufi *silsilas* in medieval India ?

(iv) How did the Kokborok language develop in Tripura under State patronage during twentieth century ?

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5. Answer any *two* questions : 10×2=20

(i) What were the causes behind the outbreak of the Revolt of 1857 ? Would you categorize it as 'National' movement and why ? 5+5=10

(ii) Analyse the various schools of historiography on Indian nationalism. 10

(iii) Write a short note on Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and the INA's role in India's Freedom, movement. 10

6. Answer any *one* question : 10×1=10

(i) Discuss the administrative reforms introduced by Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya.

(ii) Write a brief note on art and sculptures of Unakoti and Pilak. 5+5=10

7. Answer any *one* question : 10×1=10

(i) Write a short note on the art and architecture under the Chola dynasty in Southern India.

(ii) To what extent is the *Rajmala* useful in reconstructing the early history of Tripura ?

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PART – II

Marks – 50

SECTION – A

1. Four options are given against each of the following questions. Select the best/correct option from among the four options and write it in the answer script. 1×10=10

One example is given below :

Example : The Independence Day in India is celebrated on

(a) the 15th August, every year

(b) the 26th January, every year

(c) the 2nd October, every year

(d) None of the above.

Answer : (a) the 15th August, every year.

(i) Given below are two statements :

Statement I : Kosi river is known as sorrow of Bihar.

Statement II : Damodar river is known as sorrow of Jharkhand.

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In the light of above statements, choose the most appropriate answer from the options given below :

(a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct.

(b) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect.

(c) Statement I is correct and Statement II is incorrect.

(d) Statement I is incorrect and Statement II is correct.

(ii) Which of the following is not found in abundant quantity in India ?

(a) Anthracite coal

(b) Bituminous coal

(c) Lignite coal

(d) Peat coal

(iii) Arrange the following coalfields of India from North to South direction :

(i) Giridih coalfield

(ii) Singareni coalfield

(iii) Jhilmili coalfield

(iv) Neyveli coalfield

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Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

(a) (i), (ii), (iv), (iii)

(b) (i), (iii), (iv), (ii)

(c) (iv), (ii), (i), (iii)

(d) (i), (iii), (ii), (iv)

(iv) Bhangar alluvium soils are also known as

(a) Vertisols (b) Regur

(c) Kankars (d) Locss

(v) Match List–I with List–II

List–I (River)	List–II (Source)
(A) Godavari	(I) Amarkantak
(B) Krishna	(II) Trimbak plateau
(C) Narmada	(III) Dandakaranya
(D) Mahanadi	(IV) Mahabaleshwar

Choose the correct answer from the options given below :

(a) (A) II (B) IV (C) III (D) I

(b) (A) II (B) III (C) IV (D) I

(c) (A) II (B) IV (C) I (D) III

(d) (A) III (B) IV (C) II (D) I

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(vi) Which National Highway of Tripura joins Jolaibari with Belonia ?

(a) 208A (b) 108A

(c) 108B (d) 208

(vii) Which of the following water bodies is a Ramsar Site ?

(a) Kalyan Sagar Lake

(b) Dumboor Lake

(c) Kamla Sagar Lake

(d) Rudra Sagar Lake

(viii) The strike line of Boromura, Atharamura, Longtharai and Shakhan runs from

(a) East to West

(b) North to South

(c) North West to South East

(d) None of the above

(ix) Given below is a list of districts along with other districts touching its boundaries

(i) Khowi : Gomati, North Tripura

(ii) Gomati : Dhalai, Khowai

(iii) Sepahijala : West Tripura, Dhalai

(iv) Dhalai : Khowai, Unakoti

Which of the above is/are correctly matched ?

(a) Only (i) and (iii)

(b) Only (ii) and (iv)

(c) Only (ii), (iii) and (iv)

(d) Only, (i), (ii) and (iii)

(x) Given below are the two statements :

Statement I : Khowai river meets the river meghna in Bangladesh.

Statement II : Haora river originates from Boramura hill range.

In the light of the above statements, choose the most appropriate answer from the options given below :

(a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct.

(b) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect.

(c) Statement I is correct and Statement II is incorrect.

(d) Statement I is incorrect and Statement II is correct.

SECTION – B

2. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 5×2=10

(i) Deccan Plateau

(ii) Regional division of Himalayas

(iii) Biosphere Reserve.

3. Briefly explain any *two* of the following : 5×2=10

(i) Major Ethnic groups of Tripura

(ii) Types of Natural vegetation in Tripura

(iii) Geology of Tripura.

4. Answer any *two* of the following : 10×2=20

(i) Describe the potentials, achievements and limitations of Blue revolution of India.

(b) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect.

(c) Statement I is correct and Statement II is incorrect.

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(ii) Briefly discuss the trend of population growth of India.

(iii) How does the availability of bamboo in Tripura contribute to its economy and cultural practices ?